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ABSTRACT

The design of processor core on a FPGA board nowadays is not a rocket science and it is very popular due to their advantages which ASIC does not have. This project is mainly on designing the FPGA-based processor core using Altera DE2 FPGA Cyclone II device. This work will only cover the complete methods of designing the instruction set and its architecture of the processor. Meanwhile, the hardware design language of this design is written in Verilog using Altera Quartus II 8.1. As an application of this FPGA-based processor core, this design was intended to control a RFID Reader. The processor core produced a good result on the instruction designed where all of it follows all the desired operation. It can be concluded that the processor core design is a simple but reliable and as a great alternative to processor designer where design requirements always change.

ABSTRAK

Rekabentuk teras pemproses di atas FPGA sekarang ini bukanlah sesuatu yang luar biasa lagi tambahan pula ia sangat popular kerana kelebihan dan fleksibilitasi di mana ASIC tiada kelebihan tersebut. Projek ini hanya meliputi rekabentuk sebuah pemproses di pengkalan FPGA mengunakan Altera DE2 FPGA Cyclone II. Kerja ini hanya menyentuh cara merekabentuk sepenuhnya sebuah teras pemproses berdasarkan suruhan data yang telah siap dibina. Sementara itu, Bahasa rekabentuk perkakas projek ini di tulis di dalam bahasa Verilog mengunakan Altera Quartus II 8.1. Sebagai aplikasi teras pemproses ini, rekabentuk ini akan di gunakan pada Pembaca RFID . Teras pemproses ini telah menghasilkan keputusan yang baik berdasarkan suruhan data yang direkabentuk dahulu malah memenuhi semua kehendak suruhan data dengan baik. Dengan ini, dapat disimpulkan bawah teras pemproses ini adalah mudah tetapi sangat boleh dipercayai dan menjadi alternatif yang terbaik utk perekabentuk pemproses yang selalu mengubah kehendak rekabentuk.

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LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

ASIC – Application Specific Integrated Circuit

ALU – Arithmetic Logic Unit

CPU – Central Processing Unit

CISC – Complex Instruction Set Computer

DDR - Double Data Rate

DMIPS – Dhrystone Million Instructions Per Second

FPGA - Field Programmable Gate Array

GPIO - General Purpose Input/Output

GPR - General Purpose Registers

HDL – Hardware Design Language

IC – Integrated Circuit

IR – Instruction Register

MIF - Memory Initialization File

OTS – off-the-shelf

PC – Program Counter

PCI - Peripheral Component Interconnect

PIC – Peripheral Interface Controller

RAM – Random Access Memory

RFID – Radio Frequency Identification

RISC – Reduced Instruction Set Computer

ROM – Read Only Memory

RTL - Register Transfer Level

SDRAM - Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory

SRAM - Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory

SoPC - System on a Programmable Chip

UART - Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter

USART - Universal Synchronous Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

This section gives an overview about the project such as the background and the basic idea of the project.

1.1   Background

Soft-core processors on field-programmable gate array (FPGA) chips are becoming an increasingly popular software implementation platform, due to their custom logics. A soft-core processor is synthesized onto the FPGA's fabric. On the FPGA device, soft-core processors have the advantages of utilizing standard mass produced and hence lower-cost FPGA parts and enabling a custom number of microprocessors per FPGA – over 100 soft-core processors can fit on modern high-end FPGAs as described by David Sheldon, Rakesh Kumar, Roman Lysecky, Frank Vahid and Dean Tullsen (2006).

FPGA soft-core processors have the instruction sets, arithmetic-logic units, register files and other features specifically tailored to efficiently use FPGA resources and can be reconfigured. The re-configurability of FPGA gives FPGA designers an advantage over ASIC designers. They can tune, develop, debugging and testing the processor configuration much faster and more accurate using simulation

to enhance the processor. The flexibility of FPGAs provides unique opportunities in FPGA processor design. A FPGA designer can change their FPGA processor configuration whenever design requirements change. An ASIC designer cannot change their ASIC processor configuration without creating a new ASIC.

Jari Nurmi (2007) explained in his book the challenge of FPGA processor design is to accommodate the different relative performance of FPGA resources like logic elements, RAMs, multipliers and routing because not all FPGA manufacturers produced the same chip for their FPGA and there is wide range of FPGA chips nowadays. However, soft-core processor has the disadvantages of reduced processor performance, higher power consumption and larger size.

Processor design is not rocket science and is no longer the exclusive realm of elite designers in large companies. Jan Gray (2000) said FPGAs are now large and fast enough for many embedded systems, with processor core speed in the 33-100 MHz range. HDL synthesis tools and FPGA place-and-route tools are now fast, inexpensive and open source software tools help to bridge the compiler chasm.

1.2   Basis of Project

The idea behind this project is to design a processor core that will be implemented on FPGA. Then with dedicated pins as PORT, the processor core can interact with peripherals such as RFID reader.

Figure 1.1: Basis block diagram of the proposed system

1.3 Problem Statement

A microcontroller like PIC from Microchip usually uses 40% of the total instructions, making the other 60% of the instruction since it is not used for the control program coded. More complex microcontrollers require more transistors and design time, making them more expensive to manufacture. With proposed soft-core processor, we could now use the processor to run the control program such as RFID reader with the reduced instruction set.

1.4 Problem Objective

From the problem statement, I have come up with an objective. The objective of this project is to design a soft-core processor with a set of instructions and a few peripherals to act as a microcontroller processor core on a FPGA board where it can control a program for targeted device, a RFID reader.

1.5   Scope of Project

The aim of the project is to design a soft-core processor that can run control program for the RFID reader. The soft-core processor must be able to fit into a targeted FPGA device, which is the Altera Cyclone II 2C35, provided on Altera DE2 Education Board. The HDL used to write the processor core is Verilog HDL.

CHAPTER 2

LITERATURE REVIEW

This chapter consists of compilation of researches, information, articles, and theories done on specific parts or components or system that make up the whole project. This chapter highlights the basic concepts and fundamental theories of each chosen parts.

2.1   Discrete Processor

A discrete off-the-shelf (OTS) microprocessor solution is the traditional approach that designers have used. These types of processors are available from a multitude of vendors and have a wide range of features. A discrete microprocessor is implemented as an ASIC with a specific peripheral set along with the processor core [4].

Selecting a discrete processor that meets the application's cost and functional requirements can be a time consuming process. There are times, however, where an OTS processor solution will not meet those requirements. An example would be an application that requires custom logic or a significant amount of peripheral functionality that is not available in a discrete solution. In this case, the logical place to look is at a processor and peripheral set that can be tailored to the application and included with the custom logic that is needed for the application [4].

2.2   Hard Processor core

A hard processor core is different from Discrete Processor and Soft-core Processor because it has dedicated silicon on the FPGA. The dedicated silicon allows it to operate with a core frequency and have a DMIPS rating similar to that of a discrete microprocessor. The benefit of a hard-core provides is that it exists in an environment where the surrounding peripherals can be customized for the application.

The hard processor core does not provide the ability to adjust the core for the application, nor does it allow for the flexibility of adding a processor to an existing design or an additional processor for more processing capabilities. In addition, only specific FPGAs will have the option of having a hard-core; therefore, the choice of vendors and FPGAs are limited [4].

2.3 Soft Processor Core

A soft-core processor solution is one that is implemented entirely in the logic primitives of an FPGA. Because of this implementation, the processor will not operate at the speeds or have the performance of a hard-core or a discrete solution. In many embedded applications, the high performance achieved by the previous two processing options is not required, and performance can be traded for expanded functionality and flexibility.

Soft-core processors may be appropriate for a simple system, where the only functionalities are the manipulation of GPIO (General Purpose Input/Output). Moreover, they may also fit a complex system, where an operating system is incorporated and interfaces include Ethernet, PCI (Peripheral Component Interconnect), and DDR SDRAM (Double Data Rate Synchronous Dynamic Random Access Memory), and any other custom IP [4].

2.4 Customizable Processor Core

A soft-core processor also offers the flexibility of tailoring the core itself for the application. There are a few different levels of how this can be accomplished, depending on the vendor. On one level, things such as cache size can be easily adjusted [4].

Most toolsets offer the option to configure different cache sizes to suit what the application requires. A vendor may also offer different versions of the processor that have varying levels of performance. In this case, a higher performance version of

the processor would have more pipeline stages, increasing throughput. This offers more flexibility to the user [4].

It is important to note that along with a performance increase there will also be an increase in the amount of logic elements that the processor will consume or the amount of memory that the processor will consume, leaving fewer resources for peripherals and custom logic [4].

On a higher level of complexity, a designer can take the source code for the processor core and modify it to meet the needs of the application. Being able to modify the source code to the actual processor core offers the greatest of flexibility that one can obtain. Not all vendors will offer source code for their soft-core processor solution; sometimes the core is encrypted [4].

2.5   Board-level Configurability

Using a System on a Programmable Chip (SoPC) solution also offers flexibility external to the FPGA. A discrete microprocessor solution has a fixed pinout, sometimes making routing difficult. Since an SoPC exists in an FPGA, the pinout is flexible. This gives the board designer almost complete freedom with component placement, provided the FPGA still meets the timing constraints with the final pin placement [4].

Another benefit is that there are more GPIO available in an SoPC solution compared to a discrete microprocessor. The FPGA can be scaled up in size if necessary to accommodate any additional IO that is needed, whereas an ASIC solution restricts the IO use to what is on the IC; no expansion is available [4].

An SoPC solution also provides more options with prototyping possible solutions without a significant change to the hardware. This benefit in flexibility is mostly realizable when using hardware provided in the form of a development kit from the vendor [4].

2.6   Multiple Processors

More complex embedded systems could benefit from the use of multiple processors to decrease the execution time by executing tasks in parallel. Soft-core processors and their accompanying toolsets can make the task of implementing multiple processor cores that interface with a common set of peripherals much more feasible and appealing to designers.

Also, there are not any additional BOM costs for adding a soft-core processor in an FPGA as long as there is enough space in the FPGA for the implementation. The only restriction on how many processors can be in an SoPC is the logic available in the FPGA. Therefore, when using an SoPC in a design where more parallel processing is required, adding another soft-core processor is a viable solution that does not impact hardware significantly.

For the most part, the soft-core design process is not too different from any other embedded development. Perhaps the only major differences are additional roles that may not be found in other development approaches and the stress on continuous communication between the different designer roles to maximize the use of additional features that may be available.

2.7   Complex Instruction Set Computer (CISC)

Computers had only a small number of instructions and used simple instruction sets, forced mainly by the need to minimize the hardware used to implement them. As digital hardware become cheaper, computer instructions tended to increase both in number and complexity. These computers also employ a variety of data types and a large number of addressing modes. A computer with a large number of instructions, are known as complex instruction set computer, abbreviated CISC. Major characteristics of CISC architecture are [6]:

- A large number of instructions – typically from 100 to 250 instructions [6].
- Some instructions that perform specialized tasks and are used infrequently [6].
- A large variety of addressing modes – typically from 5 to 20 different modes [6].
- Variable-length instruction formats [6].
- Instructions that manipulate operands in memory [6].

2.8   Reduced Instruction Set Computer (RISC)

The concept was developed by John Cocke of IBM Research during 1974. His argument was based upon the notion that a computer uses only 20% of the instructions, making the other 80% superfluous to requirement [9]. A processor based upon this concept would use few instructions, which would require fewer transistors and make them cheaper to manufacture. By reducing the number of transistor and instructions to only those most frequently used, the computer would get more done in a shorter amount of time. The term 'RISC' (short for Reduced

Instruction Set Computer) was later coined by David Patterson, a teacher at the University of California in Berkeley [9]. These are the features that are associated with RISC [3]:

- Provides basic primitives, not complete solutions such as instruction. This leads to the reduced instruction set [3].
- Orthogonality and regularity in the instruction as much as possible [3].
- Single-cycle execution of most instructions [3].
- Easy to pipeline [3].
- A lot of general purpose registers (GPR) [3].
- Arithmetic and logic operation are done for register operands or immediate (the load-store architecture principle) [3].

CHAPTER 3

PROJECT METHODOLOGY

This chapter elaborates the procedure of the whole project corresponding to the objective of the project.
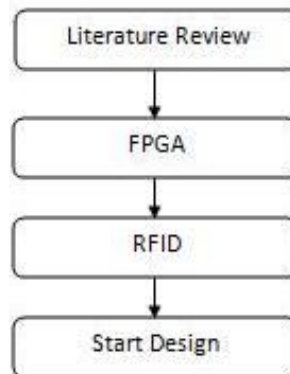
3.1 Introduction

Figure 3.1: Project Methodology Flow

The first stage of this project was literature review. A lot of papers and books gave good information to learn how to design a processor core. Such as Digital Systems Verilog Design by Dr Mohammed Khalil Hani, Design of a RISC Microcontroller by D. Sulik, M. Vasilko, D. Durackova and P. Fuchs and others. Then, the next stage is FPGA. The FPGA also influenced the design because the processor core is implemented on FPGA. The device used must be concerned, because afraid the design does not meet the requirement of FPGA device. Then to use the FPGA to control of RFID, the I/O RFID reader and what being data contains in RFID card must be covered to get correct data extracted. After these 3 stages done, the design of processor core can be started.
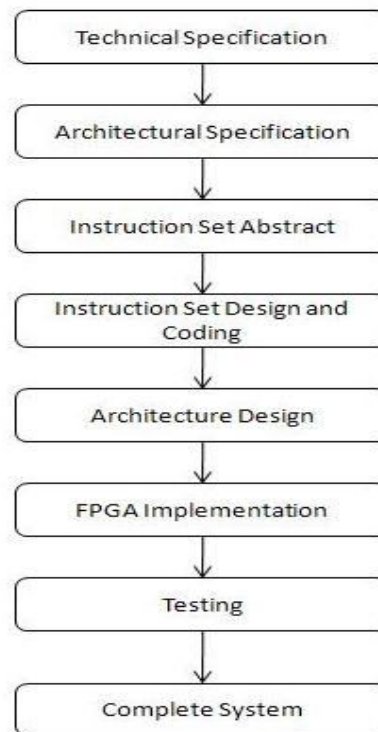
3.2   Design Flow

Figure 3.2: Processor Core Design Flow

Figure 2 above shows the processor core design flow. The design flow can be divided into 2 main parts, first is the microcontroller design (with Verilog-HDL) and second is the FPGA implementation.

There are eight stages of design flow in order to complete the processor core design. The first step is to define the technical specification by capturing the requirements for the processor. In my case of project, this is a general processor core, yet it can be used to control specific device such as RFID reader. Then the next step is to define the microcontroller architectural specification from which way you want the microcontroller it has to be such as Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter (UART).

The next big step which leads the processor core strength is to has an abstract of the instructions or prototype instructions that support efficient execution of the known algorithms. We also have to figure out how we can address the operands, and what type of data we will processing the instructions. In a simple case the operations can be sketched by looking at the algorithm descriptions, in a more complicated case some profiling is need to find out how frequently some operations, operation patterns or common subroutines are executed. Then we can design the instruction set and the coding.

Then we must start capturing the organizational architecture. This can be accomplished by pen-and-paper methods, with spread-sheet calculations of cycle counts, etc. independently of the method used, the estimation of the foreseen implementation based on the architectures explored is the key importance.

FPGA implementation is performed by downloading the design into the targeted FPGA devices, we have to make sure the device used is sufficient with our microcontroller design from view of architecture such as ROM and RAM. After done selecting the correct device and downloaded it to FPGA, the FPGA implementation testing in real physical environment can be done by running the control program for the RFID reader. But before the microcontroller is downloaded into FPGA, the control program for RFID reader must be written such as to load data extracted from

the reader to ROM register. The control program at first is assembly language format then I have to convert it to hex code so that the processor core can proceed to do its works. The convert process from assembly language to hexcode is manually, there is no assembler.

3.3   Altera Quartus II

Quartus II is free software provided by Altera. It has many functions thus it will be used to design the processor core, where it has its own compiler, simulator, waveform editor and programmer.

Figure 3.3: Quartus II Design Flow

3.4   **Verilog-HDL**

Verilog is a hardware description language (HDL) used to model electronic systems. It is used to design, verify and implement digital logic chips at the Register Transfer Level (RTL) of abstraction. The Altera Quartus 2 compiler uses the Verilog-20001 standard.

3.5   **Altera DE2 Board**

Figure 3.4: Altera DE2 FPGA Board

The FPGA device used in my design is from Altera DE2 Board where the device is Altera Cyclone II 2C35. The DE2 board has many features that allow me to implement a wide range of designed circuits. The features of Cyclone II 2C35 that related to my verilog system design are:

- 33,216 Logic Elements(LE)

- 105 M4k RAM blocks

- 483,480 total RAM bits

- 35 embedded multipliers

- 4 Phase-locked Loop PLLs

- 475 user I/O pins

CHAPTER 4

INSTRUCTION SET ARCHITECTURE

This chapter gives the information of the proposed processor core design from the view of processor instructions.

4.1   Central Processing Unit (CPU)

Figure 4.1: Processor Flow

The operation of a processor core is rather simplistic in nature, it repeatedly fetches an instruction from memory, decodes it, executes it and then return to the fetch cycle and fetch the next instruction. The next instruction to be executed is normally the next instruction sequence in memory. So Figure 4.1 shows the processor core flow of my design. This processor core of this design is non-pipelined.
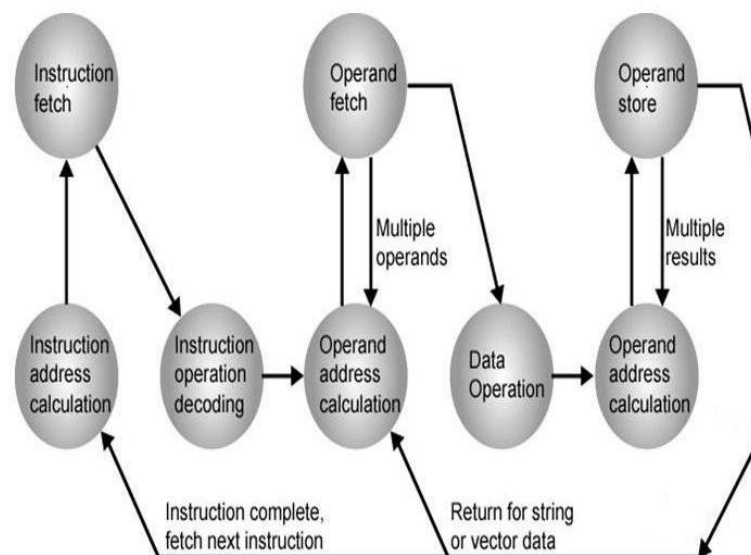
For the initial condition of my processor, the instruction fetched out is the first instruction inside the instruction memory since the address of the instruction is zero in program counter (PC). The instruction fetched is copied from cache into instruction register (IR).

After fetching an instruction, the instruction will be decoded. From the decoded instruction, the processor knows what to do next, what operands address to calculate and what arithmetic operation is performed. For example, ADD instruction adds the contents of source register and destination register and place the result into destination register. Prior to that, the values of both source and destination registers need to be fetched out from the register file to perform the addition. While for ADDI operation, data will be fetched from a register and an immediate value will be extracted from the instruction. Then, the addition of the data and the immediate value will be performed.

For the data operation which is normally executed by arithmetic logic unit (ALU), it will do specific operation according to the decoded instruction. The proposed processor has operations such as add, subtract, load, store, multiply, AND, OR and branching. For my processor core, the only memory access occurs during load and store instructions. The memory being accessed is the data cache. Then the result of the operation being performed in ALU, is to write back to the appropriate register in the register file. Lastly, the value of Program Counter (PC) will be

updated by increment one, PC ← PC + 1. However, on branch and jump instructions, PC can be updated to other addresses.

4.2   Instruction Set

The operation of the processor is determined by the instructions it executes, referred as machine instructions or computer instructions.   There are six instruction formats in this design as shown on Table 4.1. Each instruction consists of 16-bit, the 16-bit is divided into several sections for the processor to do its works. For general information of this design, a simple architecture has been made, where there are 16 8-bit registers in general purpose register file and 16 8-bit registers in the memory register file for communication with real memory such as RAM and ROM.

Table 4.1: Six instruction formats

Format	15 12	11 8	7 4	3 0
rr	op	0	rs	rd
ri	op	im m		rd
m	op	1	rs	dm
mr	op	1	dm	rd
br	op	cond	di sp	
jmp	op	15	di sp	

These kinds of formats are simple and useful for beginner of FPGA soft-core processor. For the first format, rr is the instruction that handles register and register operation. The instruction bits from 12 to 15 are the opcode section where all instructions have different values of opcode so that we can differentiate each instruction. The instruction bits of 8-11 are set to 0 so that we can differentiate rr format with other instruction formats. Then, there are two kind of registers here: rs is

the source register whose address is represented by bit 4-7 and destination register whose address is represented by bit 0-3. These two kinds of registers hold the data for the ALU operands to operate. For example ADD instruction, the result takes data from rs and adds with rd data to complete the arithmetic operation. Then, it will write back the result to rd. For the second format, there is no much different. Instruction bit from 4 to11 changed to immediate value and rd is still the same. The best example of second format is ADDI, where an immediate value is added with data register value and stored into rd.

For rm and mr format, I specially designed to let data of GPR interact with data memory register. So load-store data can be done easily here. But, there is one limitation here; when we are using SRAM, SDRAM and Flash memory on Altera DE2 board, only 8 bits data can be accessed at one time. The value of instruction bits 8-11 is set to 1 for rm and mr format.

For branching instruction, it depends on the conditional codes of ALU operation. For BEQ, if the flag of zero in conditional codes goes high after ALU operation, then branching occurs, displacement (disp) values will decides where it will branch to. While for jump instruction, JMP, there is no conditional codes need to be considered. It will go directly to values of disp. The instruction bits of 8-11, is to differentiate JMP instruction with other instructions.

Table 4.2 : Designed Instructions

Instruction	Description	Cycle	Format
ADDI	imm+reg	1	ri
SUBI	reg-imm	1	ri
ADD	reg+reg	1	rr
SUB	reg-reg	1	rr
LB	mem->reg	1	mr
SB	reg->mem	1	m
CMP	reg-reg	1	rr
MOV	imm->reg	1	im
AND	reg&reg	1	rr
OR	reg|reg	1	rr
NOT	~reg	1	rr
XOR	reg^reg	1	rr
XNOR	reg~^reg	1	rr
JMP	jump to pc	1	jmp
BEQ	branch if equal(zero)	1	br
CLR	clear reg	1	rr

Table 4.2 shows all instructions designed in this processor core. Note that all instructions are one cycle, but they are not in pipelined way but in ordinary sequential implementation. Thus this processor is a bit slower than pipelined processor.

CHAPTER 5

PROCESSOR CORE DESIGN

This chapter explains about the full design of the processor core according to designed instruction set in previous chapter.

5.1   Overview

The design of the processor core is divided into several sections which it explains each design modules. This processor core is sequential processor where it will process and complete one instruction in one cycle before it fetches a new instruction for the next cycle. The modules inside the processor core are:

- Program Counter
- Instruction Memory
- Decoder
- General Purpose Register
- Operand Selection
- ALU and Conditional Codes
- ROM register

- PORT
- UART and Shift Register
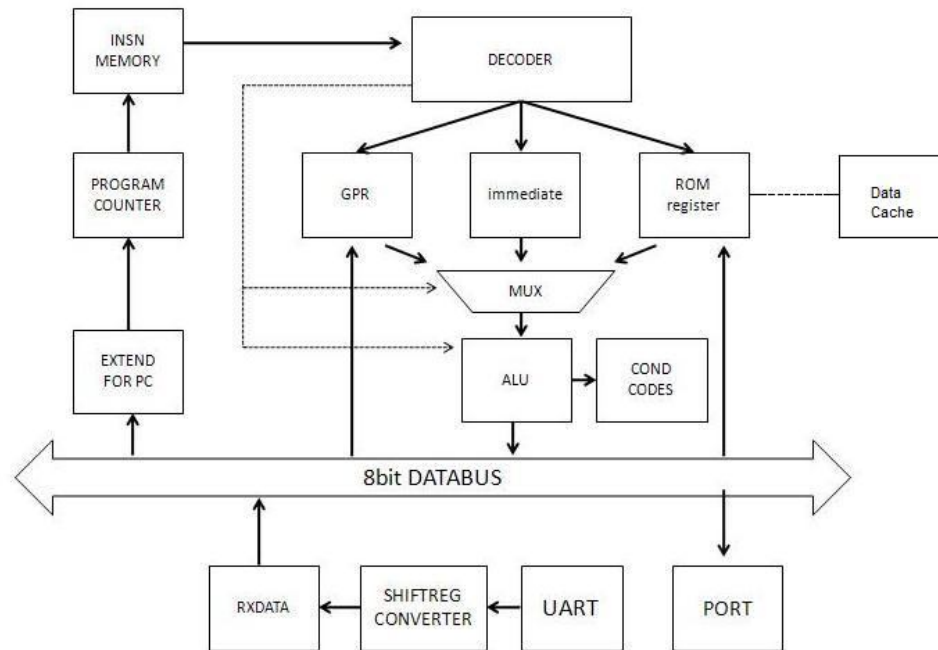
5.2   Architecture Overview

Figure 5.1: Architecture overview

Figure 5.1 shows the top-level block diagram of the design, every block represents a module of the processor. At first glance, there are 10 modules are to be designed separately using the top down design approach. Some modules like the decoder are easy to design, but modules like ALU require a lot of understanding. The overall dataflow and bus structure between all modules must be understood before designing the modules individually.

Buses provide connection between modules. This bus is a common bus, such as connection to PORT, ROM register and GPR. It is called common bus in the

design because it is being shared by many modules. For example, GPR can receive data from the data bus. The other modules can receive and send data to the data bus.

```
┌──────────────┐
│    Fetch     │
└──────────────┘
       ⇓
┌──────────────┐
│    Decode    │
└──────────────┘
       ⇓
┌──────────────┐
│   Execute    │
└──────────────┘
       ⇓
┌──────────────┐
│  Write Back  │
└──────────────┘
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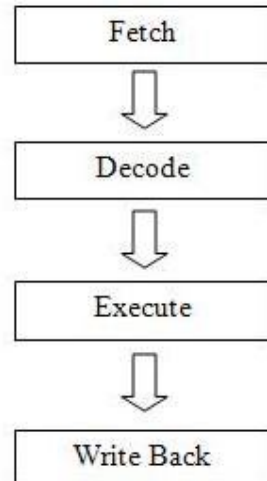
Figure 5.2: The processor four stages RISC processor flow

The following text will briefly introduce the whole system. The system can be divided into four stages, the fetch stage, execute stage and write back stage. Fetch stage is in charge of fetching the next instruction. Decode stage is in charge of decoding the 16-bit instruction to several parts. The execute unit is used to execute the instruction and write back is to write the result of execution into desired destination. The flow can be illustrated by Figure 5.2.

5.3   Program Counter

The first instruction is at the reset vector address. The following instructions can be categorized into three types: sequential instruction, branch instruction and jump instruction.

For then branch instruction, first it will consider the conditional codes of the instruction. For BEQ, it will consider the zero flag, Z. If the Z is valid or high, branch will be taken and PC is incremented by the displacement value coded. JMP instruction is much simpler. It will go straight to effective address pointed by the displacement value coded. Both displacement values need to be size-extended because instruction memory size is 16-bit.

Other than branch and jump, execution continues with the next sequential instruction. The current instruction address will be added up with one to move to next instruction in next cycle.

5.4   Instruction Memory

As its name suggests, instruction memory is the place to store the instructions in order to be executed in the processor. Then, the instruction fetched from the memory will be loaded into Instruction Register (IR). The IR will only latch the new instruction in if the HIT signal is asserted. HIT signal is a signal to verify whether the instruction is valid or not. For simplicity, HIT is always asserted high. The instruction that will be fetched out depends on the address of PC from previous module. The data fetched out is the 16-bit instruction and will be decoded in Decoder Module. The size of the instruction memory can be changed to desired size in the Verilog module of Instruction Memory.

```
 1  @0
 2  0
 3  7111
 4  0331
 5  1111
 6  7222
 7  2021
 8  6021
 9  3021
10  2013
11  5131
12  4134
13  7225
14  7336
15  8056
16  9065
17  2056
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Figure 5.3: Instruction hexcode

The program control coding of processor core is at first in the form of assembly language stage for programmer's view. Then, it will be converted into machine code in order to allow the processor to work with it. In this case, there is no assembler, so I have to convert it manually. Figure 5.3 shows how the instructions arranged in the Instruction Memory and the address of PC in instruction memory started after @0. The format in the instruction memory is in hexadecimal format.

5.5   Decoder

Decoder is playing an important role in the processor core. This is a place where the instruction will be decoded into several parts. The input of the decoder is 16-bit instruction from the Instruction Memory. There are five parts here as we can see in Table 5.1.

Table 5.1: The decoder organization

No	Format	Output Bit	Notation	Description
1	Opcode	4	op	Opcode is used to distinguished all the instruction from the assembly code.
2	Destination Register	4	rd	This is the address of Destination Register for further operation such as Register File.
3	Source Register	4	rs	This is the address of Source Register for further operation such as Register File.
4	Immediate	8	imm	Since the Register File, PORT, ROM register is 8-bit format, thus the immediate value is 8-bit to synchronization all process.
5	Displacement	8	disp	Displacement value is used for branching and jump instruction. The value is the reference value of the

5.6 Register File

In most processor cores, GPR is a very important. Each instruction reads maximum of two registers (rd and rs) and some instructions need to write back one result in rd register. This processor only runs on 16 registers to complete all its instruction execution process. The format of the general purpose register is 8-bit. The Figure 5.4 shows the structure of the 16 general purpose register.

Figure 5.4: GPR Structure

The rd and rs fields select registers that are read out onto the dreg and sreg buses which these two will be used as inputs to ALU. The data bus is connected directly to the destination register for write back process. As shown in Figure 5.5, the write enable for GPR is MUXed to distinguish MOV(into ROM PORT register), JMP, CMP and SB because these four instructions are not used to write back result onto register file of GPR.

```
wire rf_we = (insn[11:8]==15 | `JMP)? 0 : ((`SB|`CMP) ? 0 : (valid_insn_ce & ~rst))
```

Figure 5.5: The GPR Write Enable Multiplexer

5.7   Operand Selection

Reviewing the instruction set architecture of Section 4.2, we can see that there are several in instruction formats that influence the input of ALU. For rr and ri, all instructions have two operands; one is either an immediate constant or the register selected by rd and rs and the other is the register selected by rd. For memory-register (rm and mr), it also has two operands; one is the output from the memory and the other is rd or rs. From there we can obtain operands a and b as shown in Figure 5.6.

```
wire [N:0] a = (`LB|`CLR|`SB) ? 0 : dreg2;

wire [N:0] b = `LB ? ROMout2 : ((`ADDI|`SUBI|`MOV) ? imm : sreg2);
```

Figure 5.6: The Operand Selection

Operand a is the data from register file addressed by rd or 0. The zero will be selected only when there is instruction of LB, CLR or SB. Operand b is the data from ROMout2, immediate value or rs data. For LB which is loading ROM register data to GPR, output from ROM register is needed. For ri format and MOV instruction, an immediate value is taken into ALU. For all other instruction, the rs data is taken from GPR.

5.8 Arithmetic Logic Unit (ALU) and Conditional Codes

With the 8-bit operand of a and b, we can perform arithmetic and logic operation. The add, subtract and logic units operate concurrently upon two operands. Then, a multiplexer selects one of these destinations to write the result of the instruction. Table 5.2 shows how the ALU is being organized. rf_we signal is asserted if the result of ALU will be written back to the destination register. Note that rf_we us a register control signal. While the weX signal is asserted only when it is SB instruction operation.

Table 5.2: Instruction grouping

Group	Instruction	rf_we	weX	Flags ZNCV
ADD	ADDI	√		XXXX
	ADD	√		XXXX
SUB	SUBI	√		XXXX
	SUB	√		XXXX
LOGIC	AND	√		XXXX
	OR	√		XXXX
	XNOR	√		XXXX
	XOR	√		XXXX
	NOT	√		XXXX
MEMREG	LB	√		- - - -
	SB		√	- - - -
CLEAR	CLR	√		1000
MOVE	MOV	√		- - - -
BRANCH JUMP	BEQ			- - - -
	JMP			- - - -

The most straightforward way to code the ADD and SUB groups as shown in Figure 5.6. The add signal is from the processor core that is determined from the instruction such as ADDI and ADD. The cout signal asserted is when there is carry-out in the addition process as shown in Figure 5.6.

```
assign {cout,sum}= add ? {a}+{b}: {a}-{b};
```

Figure 5.7: ALU for ADD and SUB

There are five logic unit operations here which are AND, OR, NOT, XOR and XNOR. To make it simple to be fit into design, a multiplexer for five stages is needed to distinguish all five logic units operation. The result of the each logic operation will be stored in a destination register. The flow of how these operations are performed can be explained in Figure 5.5.

Figure 5.8: The multiplexing stages

```verilog
// condition codes
assign z = sum == 0;                    // zero
assign n = sum[7];                      // negative
assign co = add ? c_W : ~c_W;           // carry-out
assign v = c_W^sum[7]^a[7]^b[7];        // overflow
```

Figure 5.9: Conditional Codes

The ALU is also determining the condition codes(ZNCV) which are zero, negative, carry and overflow as shown in Figure 5.8. This is also used for conditional branch instruction that may follow. The zero condition is self evident and any two's complement number is negative if its most-significant bit is set. Carry is the carry-out of the most significant-bit of the add/sub operation and complemented for

subtracts. For overflow detection, an addition overflows if the most-significant bit of a, b, sum and the carry-out is high. Then the values of z, n, co and v captured into conditional codes vector which are ccz, ccn, ccc and ccv as each instruction completes as shown in Figure 5.9. If rst signal is asserted, the ccz, ccn, ccc and ccv will go the zeroes, but if the instruction is valid the z, n, co, v will be transfer into ccz, ccn, ccc, ccv.

```
reg ccz, ccn, ccc, ccv; // conditional codes vector
always @(negedge clk)
    if (rst)
        {ccz,ccn,ccc,ccv} <= 0;
    else if (valid_insn_ce)
        {ccz,ccn,ccc,ccv} <= {z,n,co,v};
```

Figure 5.10: Conditional Codes Vector

5.9   ROM Register

ROM (Random Access Memory) register is like GPR from the way it operates. The difference is the ROM registers provide register for memory and register transfer. The memory we are talking now is the real ROM, which contains ROM non-volatile data. The non-volatile refer to the content of memory which remains even though the power is plugged off. The instructions using this ROM register are LB and SB.

5.10   PORT

There is one 8-bits one-directional output port in the design. This is because the port is intended to show some output such as LED. The output has its own register at RTL design. The data bus is connected directly to this register. When writing a data to the PORT, data is received from the data bus and the write signal to the respected PORT's register is asserted. Figure 5.10 shows the portion of program control coding how to write data into PORT register.

MOV   11,RD1
MOV   01,PORT
ADDI 03,RD4…

Figure 5.10: Portion of Program Control Coding

5.11   Universal Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter (UART) and Shift Register

The UART is implemented for RS-232 communication usage. Figure 5.11 shows RS-232 communication is asynchronous. This means the clock signal is not sent with the data. Each word is synchronized using its start bit, and an internal clock on each side, keeps tabs on the timing. For this design, format 9600-8-N-1 is used. The diagram above shows the expected waveform from the UART when using the common 8N1 format. 9600-8-N-1 signifies 9600 baudrate, 8 Data bits, No Parity and 1 Stop Bit. The RS-232 line, when idle is in the Mark State (Logic 1). A transmission starts with a Start Bit which is (Logic 0). Then each bit is sent down the line, one at a time. The LSB (Least Significant Bit) is sent first. A Stop Bit (Logic 1) is then appended to the signal to make up the transmission..

Figure 5.11: TTL/CMOS Serial Logic Waveform

A serial interface is a simple way to connect an FPGA to a PC. In this design there is only asynchronous receiver needed. It takes an RS232 signal RxD from outside the FPGA and de-serializes it for easy use inside the FPGA. Figure X shows the I/O of the asynchronous receiver.
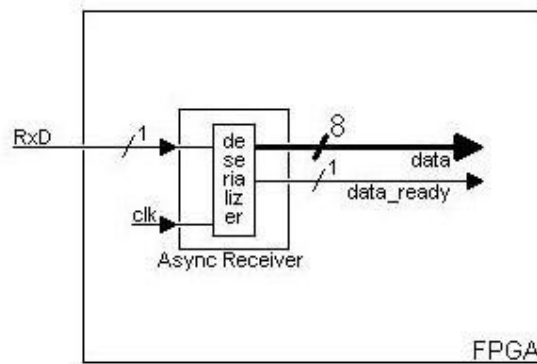

Figure 5.12: The asynchronous receiver I/O

The implementation of asynchronous receiver works like this:

- The module assembles data from the RxD line as it comes.
- As a byte is being received, it appears on the "data" bus. Once a complete byte has been received, "data_ready" is asserted for one clock.

For the oversampling the date, an asynchronous receiver has to somehow get in-sync with the incoming signal but it doesn't have access to the clock used during transmission since this is asynchronous format. Receivers oversample the incoming signal at 8 times the baud rate. At 9600 bauds, that gives a sampling rate of 76800Hz.

The baudrate and the clock for the asynchronous receiver have been parameterized for easier future usage as shown in Figure 5.13

```
parameter ClkFrequency = 50000000; // 50MHz
parameter Baud = 9600;
```

Figure 5.13: Parameter Values

This shift register was intended to shift 8-bit data for 12 stages. The input of the shift register is from the RxD asynchronous receiver. Then the control signal to move the 8-bit stage by stage is from the data_ready of asynchronous receiver.
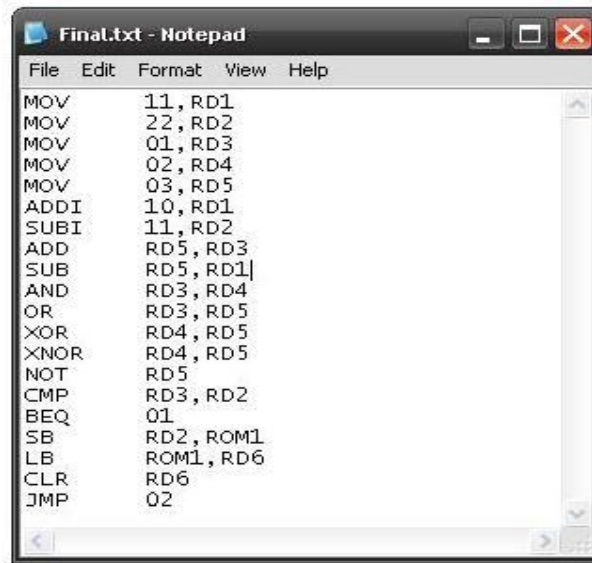
CHAPTER 6

RESULTS AND DISCUSSIONS

This chapter discussed the results obtained from the work done.

6.1   Results

6.1.1 The Processor Core

The processor was tested with two control programs. The first control program is Final.txt as in Figure 6.1. The objective to test the processor core with Final.txt is to determine whether the processor core is calculating the correct values or not. According to Figure 6.2, it can be proved that the processor cores with all designed instructions are operating in correct manner.

Figure 6.1: Final.txt control program

Figure 6.2: Timing simulation of Final.txt control program

Figure 6.3: Last.txt control program

Then, the processor core was tested with second control program named Last.txt. The Last.txt is actually to show the process when UART detects 12 bytes data from RxD asynchronous receiver, RXDATA. Then, these 12 data bytes are moved into Register File first and again moved to ROM memory. From Figure 6.4 we can see that data are moved correctly from RXDATA1-RXDATA12 taken from shift register to ROM1-ROM12 memory.
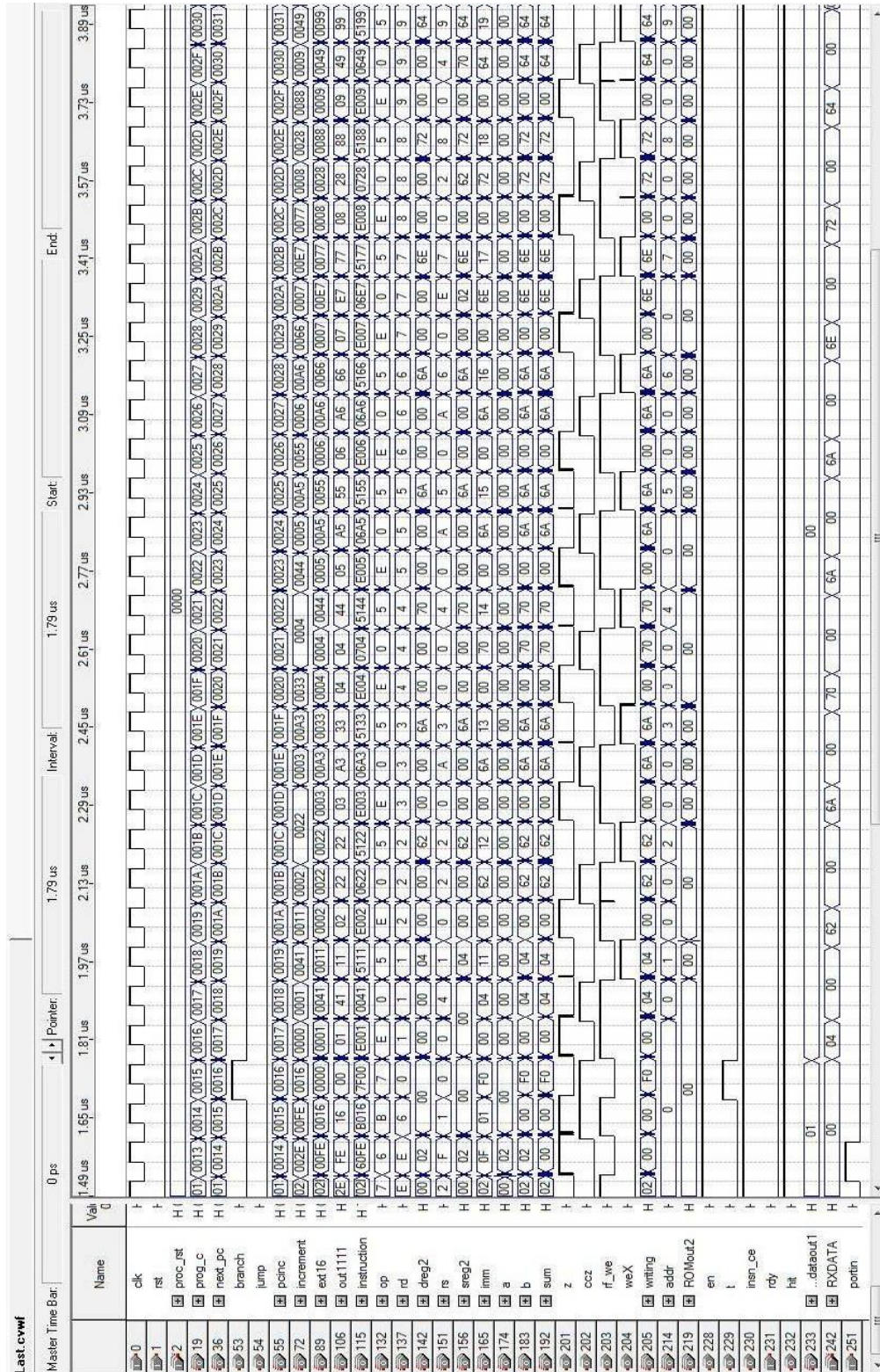
Figure 6.4: Timing simulation of Final.txt control program

6.1.2   Implementation of Radio Frequency Identification (RFID) Mifare Type Technology and UART

The processor core was intended to implement on RFID reader type to control the RFID reader. Where the processor can save the data on ROM register that are sent out from the RFID reader. But before the processor can control well the RFID reader, it must be tested first whether the Receive UART of the DE2 FPGA receive correct data from the RFID reader. The RFID actually has two main parts; the RFID card and the RFID reader. The RFID card contains 10 digits of decimal number as serial number. This 10 digits will be sent out from RFID reader to UART with a format of STX-10 decimal digits data-ETX (12 bytes). This format is in ASCII when they are being sent out to UART of Receiver. For the verification of RFID card 10 digits data, a Visual Basic 6 GUI has been made to display the data, but the RFID reader must be connected DB-9 RS-232 on the back of computer instead of DE2 FPGA. The format of RS-232 in the VB6 GUI is 9600-8-N-1. This is the output on Figure 6.5 when touch the RFID card to RFID reader when it is connected to computer.

Figure 6.5: VB6 RFID card verification

The coding for VB6 GUI of Mifare ID is in Appendix O. The example output waveform of the RxD RFID reader when connected to oscilloscope in the Figure 6.6 below. From the Figure 6.6, we can see the 12 bytes of RFID serial number being sent out.

Figure 6.6: Output waveform of RxD RFID Reader

Thus, this 12 bytes data must be received by the RxD asynchronous receiver of UART on FPGA. These 12 bytes data, must be shifted for 12 stages for RXDATA1-RXDATA12, then converted to normal hexadecimal of ASCII since the 12 bytes of 8-bit, the LSB bit is none parity which we do not use as the character of 10 digits of the RFID card serial number.
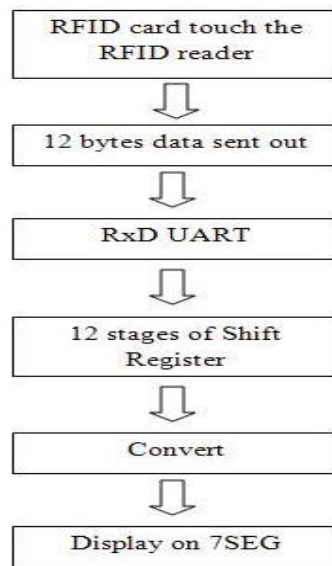

Figure 6.7: Flow of RFID card serial number verification on DE2 board

Figure 6.8 shows the flow when the RFID reader and DE2 board connected together for verification. Unfortunately when UART implemented on the Altera DE2 FPGA board with RFID reader connected, the data received on UART is only STX which is 02 of ASCII is not as desired operation, it was wrong. Figure 6.8 shows result when the RFID card is touched onto RFID reader.
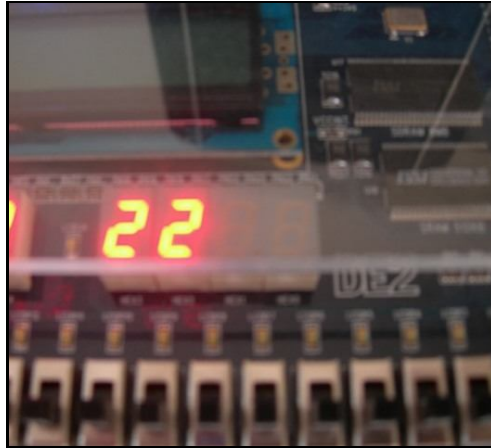
Figure 6.8: Shifted and converted data of 12 bytes RFID card serial number

6.2   Discussion

6.2.1   Instruction Set

16 instructions set was designed. It consists of addition, subtraction, load and store data from memory to register or register to memory, branching and jumping and logic operation. All instructions except JMP and BEQ are using data from Register File and memory data, ROM register. The most difficult instruction to design is BEQ because there are few steps need to be. First it needs to check whether instruction executed before BEQ was zero high in conditional codes. It can be executed. The displacement value pointed by BEQ instruction in control program is in 8-bit format. Then it will be extended to 16-bit to follow format of program counter. The easiest instruction is subtraction and addition because these two operations just only need to consider two data from either ROM register memory or Reigster File. After execution in ALU, it will be write back into desired location.

6.2.2   Memory Initialization File

The control program at first is written in text format. Then it will be converted to hexcode as processor core only understand machine language. Altera Quartus has special function named MIF to initialize desired data and then it can be called. So to make it easier to understand, this MIF will be used to store the control program hexcode. Then it will be called using function $readmemh in specific design module. In my design case, the MIF of control program hexcode is called in module inst_mem_mushy.

6.2.3   Design of Negedge Clock

At first, the design was using posedge clock design for all verilog design related to clock. At that stage, the design and simulation is in functional simulation. The problem using functional simulation is that, operation like read and write for Register File is wrong. Then when simulated in timing simulation, I can see there is a gap when posedge clock and instruction executed, thus it affects read and write for register file where its operation is late for one clock. This will make the read and write take the wrong address. Then I overcame this problem with changing all posedge clock condition to negedge condition. This action made the read and write for all process not only for Register File are correct. Figure 6.9 shows the correct operation for read and write.
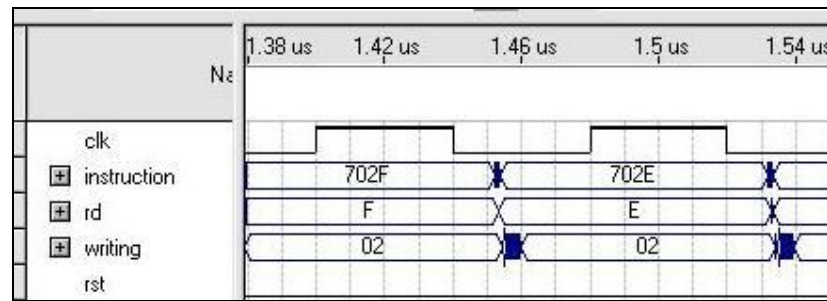
Figure 6.9: Negedge clock solve the timing problem for read and write

6.2.4 The RFID and Receiver Design System

The design module consists of asynchronous receiver, 12 stages shift register, convertor and 7 Segment to retrieve 12 data bytes and to display. However, the system does not work. From Figure 6.8 we can see that data received on the asynchronous receiver after shifted and converted is only STX(02h) for few shift register stages, while some stages contain no data at all. Thus, this verification of RFID card serial number on DE2 FPGA has failed and for the processor core to control the RFID reader cannot be proceed. This must be due to fast multiple data transfer of 9600bps at 50MHz or shifted register that did not works well when implemented in real application. This module is also done in slower baudrate and 25Mhz clock. But the result on 7 Segment was worst. There was nothing displayed. This asynchronous receiver was done to receive one data byte, it was correct but when it comes to multiple data transfer, the data received is not correct. It is also possible that the data shift register control signal to shift the data received is not enough one clock since if we see from example output waveform of RFID 12 bytes data RxD, the receiver is on asynchronous mode where the data send is free of clock. Then it makes the transition of each byte is not synchronized with clock while the control signal of shift register is synchronized with clock. This problem can be solves by easier way using Universal Synchronous Asynchronous Receiver Transmitter (USART) where there are clock synchronizing the data transition.

CHAPTER 7

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This chapter explains about the project conclusion and the recommendation for future works of this project to readers.

7.1 Recommendation for Future Works

At first the processor core does not connected to real ROM or RAM. So the memory-register design in the processor core is just at low level where it provides the data of 8-bit at register level. With real implementation of memory such as ROM and RAM, it will make the LB and SB instructions shows benefit to the processor.

The processor core is sequential processor, where each instruction must complete first then the processor can fetch new instruction to process. So this made the processor runs a bit slower, with the pipelining design implementation to this processor core. It will make the processor runs at faster rate, when fetch, decode, execute and write back can be done in one cycle.

For processor core to runs a control program for the RFID reader, the first stage of extracting the serial numbers from the RFID card must be done well. The problem is whether at UART or shift register control signal made this implementation cannot be done. To solve the uncontrolled transition of data retrieve, a USART design module can be replaced with UART.

7.2 Conclusion

As a conclusion, this project for the processor core has been completed successfully fulfilling the objective and scope specified for the processor core design. But the processor core is not implemented well on the Altera DE2 FPGA, due to problem of UART and RFID. If this problem can be overcome, this processor can work nicely. It is possible for mere mortal to build a compact, reasonably fast embedded processor or even a complete system-on-a-chip in a small fraction of a small FPGA, if the processor and system are designed to make the best use of FPGA.

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APPENDIX A

The Processor Core Verilog Module

```verilog
module MushyProcessorv18
(    clk, rst, rdy, RXDATA, insn_reg, op, rd, rs, imm,
     bus_writing,dreg2, sreg2, a, b, sum,
     ccz, ccn, ccc, ccv,
     weX, addr, ROMout2, weY,PortOUTdataout1,
     out1111, pcinc, branch, jump, next_pc, prog_c,
     proc_rst);



     input  clk;
     input  rst;
     input [AN:0] proc_rst; //reset vector
     input  rdy;
     input [7:0] RXDATA;

     assign hit = 1;

     parameter N = 7;    // register MSB
     parameter AN = 15;  // address MSB
     parameter IN = 15;  // instruction MSB

     // opcode decoding
     `define ADDI    (op==0)
     `define SUBI    (op==1)
     `define ADD     (op==2)
     `define SUB     (op==3)
     `define LB      (op==4)
```

```
`define SB        (op==5)
`define CMP       (op==6)
`define MOV       (op==7)
`define AND       (op==8)
`define XOR       (op==9)
`define JMP       (op==10)
`define BEQ       (op==11)
`define XNOR      (op==12)
`define OR        (op==13)
`define CLR       (op==14)
`define NOT       (op==15)



// FETCH
inst_mem_mushy fetch(next_instruction,clk,insn);
output [15:0] insn_reg = insn;
wire [15:0] insn;
wire [15:0] next_instruction = next_pc;



// DECODE PROCESS
Decoder dec(insn, op, rd, rs, imm, disp);
output [3:0] op;
output [3:0] rd;
output [3:0] rs;
output [7:0] imm;
//disp = out1111

// Register file
wire [N:0] dreg2, sreg2;
wire valid_insn_ce = hit & insn_ce;
//if the instruction is valid

assign en = valid_insn_ce;
```

```
     wire rf_we = (insn[11:8]==15 | `JMP)? 0 :
((`SB|`CMP) ? 0 : (valid_insn_ce & ~rst));


     RegFile16x8bit regfile
     (rd,rs, writing, rf_we, clk, dreg1, sreg1, dreg2,
     sreg2); //TEST DECODER IS OK


     wire [7:0] bus_writing = (`MOV&&insn[11:8]==8) ?
RXDATA : (`CLR ? sreg2 : (`XNOR ? a~^b : (`OR ? a|b :
(`NOT ? ~a :(`AND ? a&b : (`XOR ? a^b : sum))))));


     output [7:0] dreg2, sreg2;
     output [7:0] bus_writing;




     //Operand Selection
     wire [N:0] a = (`LB|`CLR|`SB) ? 0 : dreg2;
     wire [N:0] b = `LB ? ROMout2 : ((`ADDI|`SUBI|`MOV) ?
imm : sreg2);



     //EXECUTION PROCESS
     //ALU and conditional codes
     wire add = ~(`SUBI|`SUB|`CMP);
     ALUandCCT alucct
     (add, a, b, sum, cout, valid_insn_ce, clk, rst, ccz,
     ccn, ccc, ccv, z );


     output [N:0] a, b;
     output [N:0] sum;
     output ccz, ccn, ccc, ccv;


     //ROM/
```

```verilog
wire [3:0] addr = `SB ? rs : ( `LB ? rs : 0);
wire weX = (insn[11:8]==15)? 0 : (`SB ? 1 : 0);


ROM16x8bit ROM
(clk, weX, writing, addr, ROMout1, ROMout2);


output weX;
output [3:0] addr;
output [7:0] ROMout2;


// PORTout
PortOut port_out
(weY, clk, dataY, PortOUTdataout1, PortOUTdataout2);
wire weY = (`MOV & (insn[11:8]==15)) ? 1 : 0;
wire [7:0] dataY = insn[7:0];
output weY;
output [7:0] PortOUTdataout1;




// PROGRAM COUNTER AND INSTRUCTION FETCH
// conditional branch for BEQ

reg t;
always@(negedge clk )
    begin
        if ((op==11)&& ccz)
            t =1;
        else
            t = 0;
    end
```

```verilog
assign out1111 = insn[7:0];    //disp
assign branch = hit & t;


output [7:0]out1111 ;
output [15:0]pcinc;
output branch, jump;
output [15:0] next_pc;
output [15:0] prog_c;


wire [15:0] ext16 = {8'b00000000,insn[7:0]};


//branch
reg [15:0] increment;
always@(negedge clk)
    begin
            increment <= ext16;
    end


//jump
reg [15:0] for_jump;
always@(negedge clk)
    begin
            for_jump <= ext16;
    end


reg jump;
always @ (negedge clk)
begin
    if (hit && `JMP)
            jump <= 1;
    else
    jump <= 0;
end
```

```
//last PC check
wire [AN:0] pcinc = branch ? increment: (pc + 1);
assign next_pc = jump ? for_jump : pcinc;




reg [AN:0] pc;
always @ (negedge clk)
    begin
        if (rst)
            pc <= proc_rst;
        else if (valid_insn_ce)
            pc <= next_pc;
end


assign insn_ce = rst | ~(0 & ~rdy);
assign prog_c  = pc;


endmodule
```

APPENDIX B

Instruction Memory Verilog Module

```verilog
module inst_mem_mushy(addr_pc,clk,data_out);

    input clk;

    input [15:0] addr_pc;//i_ad
    output [15:0] data_out;

    reg [15:0] mem[0:60];

    initial
    begin
    $readmemh("LAST.txt", mem);
    end

    assign data_out=mem[addr_pc];

endmodule
```

APPENDIX C

Decoder Verilog Module

```verilog
module Decoder (insn, op, rd, rs, imm, disp);

    input [15:0] insn;
    output [3:0] op, rd, rs;
    output [7:0] imm;
    output [7:0] disp;

    wire [3:0] op;
    wire [3:0] rd;
    wire [3:0] rs;
    wire [7:0] imm;
    wire [7:0] disp;

    // instruction decoding
    assign  op = insn[15:12];
    assign  rd = insn[3:0];
    assign  rs = insn[7:4];
    assign  imm = insn[11:4];
    assign  disp = insn[7:0];

endmodule
```

APPENDIX D

Register File Verilog Module

```verilog
module RegFile16x8bit
    (rd,rs, data, we, clk, dreg1, sreg1, dreg2, sreg2);


    input [3:0] rd , rs;
    input we, clk;
    input [7:0] data;
    reg [7:0] mem[0:15];
    reg [7:0] dreg1, sreg1;
    output [7:0] dreg1, sreg1, dreg2, sreg2;


    always @(negedge clk)
    begin
        if (we)
            begin
                mem[rd]<=data;
            end

                dreg1 = mem[rd];
                sreg1 = mem[rs];
    end

    assign dreg2 = mem[rd];
    assign sreg2 = mem[rs];

endmodule
```

APPENDIX E

ALU and Conditional Codes Verilog Module

```verilog
module ALUandCCT
    (add, a, b, sum, cout, valid_insn_ce, clk, rst, ccz,
    ccn, ccc, ccv,z);

    input  add;
    input  [7:0] a, b;
    output [7:0] sum;
    output cout;

    input valid_insn_ce;
    input clk, rst;
    output ccz, ccn, ccc, ccv, z;

    wire x;

    assign {cout,sum}= add ? {a}+{b}: {a}-{b};

    // condition codes
    wire c_W = cout;

    assign z = sum == 0;                // zero
    assign n = sum[7];                  // negative
    assign co = add ? c_W : ~c_W;       // carry-out
    assign v = c_W^sum[7]^a[7]^b[7];    // overflow

    reg ccz, ccn, ccc, ccv; // CC vector
```

```
always @(negedge clk)
      if (rst)
            {ccz,ccn,ccc,ccv} <= 0;
      else if (valid_insn_ce)
            {ccz,ccn,ccc,ccv} <= {z,n,co,v};

endmodule
```

APPENDIX F

ROM Register Verilog Module

```verilog
module ROM16x8bit
     (clk, we, data, addr, ROMout1, ROMout2);


     input clk, we;
     input [7:0] data;
     input [3:0] addr;
     output [7:0] ROMout1, ROMout2;


     reg [7:0] mem[0:15];
     reg [7:0] ROMout1;


     always @ (negedge clk)
         begin
             if (we)
             begin
                 mem[addr]<=data;
             end

             ROMout1 = mem[addr];
         end

     assign ROMout2 = mem[addr];

endmodule
```

APPENDIX H

Port Verilog Module

```
module PortOut
     (we, clk, data, PortOUTdataout1, PortOUTdataout2);


     input we, clk;
     input [7:0] data;
     reg [7:0] PortOUTdataout1;
     output [7:0] PortOUTdataout1, PortOUTdataout2;

     always @(negedge clk)
     begin
         if (we)
             PortOUTdataout1<=data;
     end

     assign PortOUTdataout2 = data;

endmodule
```

APPENDIX H

Asynchoronous Receiver

```
// RS-232 RX module
// (c) fpga4fun.com KNJN LLC - 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006

module async_receiver
(clk, RxD, RxD_data_ready, RxD_data, RxD_endofpacket,
RxD_idle);

    input clk, RxD;
    output RxD_data_ready;
    // onc clock pulse when RxD_data is valid
    output [7:0] RxD_data;

    parameter ClkFrequency = 50000000; // 50MHz
    parameter Baud = 9600;

/*We also detect if a gap occurs in the received stream
of characters. That can be useful if multiple characters
are sent in burst. So that multiple characters can be
treated as a "packet" */

    output RxD_endofpacket;
/*one clock pulse, when no more data is received
(RxD_idle is going high)*/
    output RxD_idle;// no data is being received

// Baud generator (we use 8 times oversampling)
    parameter Baud8 = Baud*8;
```

```verilog
    parameter Baud8GeneratorAccWidth = 16;


    wire [Baud8GeneratorAccWidth:0] Baud8GeneratorInc =
    ((Baud8<<(Baud8GeneratorAccWidth-
    7))+(ClkFrequency>>8))/(ClkFrequency>>7);


    reg [Baud8GeneratorAccWidth:0] Baud8GeneratorAcc;
    always @(posedge clk)
    Baud8GeneratorAcc<=Baud8GeneratorAcc[Baud8GeneratorA
    ccWidth-1:0] + Baud8GeneratorInc;
    wire Baud8Tick =
    Baud8GeneratorAcc[Baud8GeneratorAccWidth];


    reg [1:0] RxD_sync_inv;
    always @(posedge clk)
    if(Baud8Tick) RxD_sync_inv <= {RxD_sync_inv[0],
    ~RxD};
/* we invert RxD, so that the idle becomes "0", to
prevent a phantom character to be received at startup*/


    reg [1:0] RxD_cnt_inv;
    reg RxD_bit_inv;


    always @(posedge clk)
    if(Baud8Tick)
    begin
        if( RxD_sync_inv[1] && RxD_cnt_inv!=2'b11)
            RxD_cnt_inv <= RxD_cnt_inv + 2'h1;
        else
        if(~RxD_sync_inv[1] && RxD_cnt_inv!=2'b00)
            RxD_cnt_inv <= RxD_cnt_inv - 2'h1;
        if(RxD_cnt_inv==2'b00) RxD_bit_inv <= 1'b0;
        else
        if(RxD_cnt_inv==2'b11) RxD_bit_inv <= 1'b1;
```

```
    end


    reg [3:0] state;
    reg [3:0] bit_spacing;


/* "next_bit" controls when the data sampling occur
depending on how noisy the RxD is, different values might
work better with a clean connection, values from 8 to 11
work*/


    wire next_bit = (bit_spacing==4'd10);


    always @(posedge clk)
        if(state==0)
            bit_spacing <= 4'b0000;
        else
        if(Baud8Tick)
            bit_spacing <= {bit_spacing[2:0] +
            4'b0001} | {bit_spacing[3], 3'b000};


    always @(posedge clk)
    if(Baud8Tick)
    case(state)
    4'b0000: if(RxD_bit_inv) state <= 4'b1000;
    // start bit found?
    4'b1000: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b1001;  // bit 0
    4'b1001: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b1010;  // bit 1
    4'b1010: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b1011;  // bit 2
    4'b1011: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b1100;  // bit 3
    4'b1100: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b1101;  // bit 4
    4'b1101: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b1110;  // bit 5
    4'b1110: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b1111;  // bit 6
    4'b1111: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b0001;  // bit 7
    4'b0001: if(next_bit) state <= 4'b0000;  // stop bit
```

```verilog
        default: state <= 4'b0000;
        endcase


        reg [7:0] RxD_data;
        always @(posedge clk)
        if(Baud8Tick && next_bit && state[3]) RxD_data <=
        {~RxD_bit_inv, RxD_data[7:1]};


        reg RxD_data_ready, RxD_data_error;
        always @(posedge clk)
        begin
        RxD_data_ready <= (Baud8Tick && next_bit &&
        state==4'b0001 && ~RxD_bit_inv);  // ready only if
        the stop bit is received
        RxD_data_error <= (Baud8Tick && next_bit &&
        state==4'b0001 &&  RxD_bit_inv);  // error if the
        stop bit is not received
        end


        reg [4:0] gap_count;
        always @(posedge clk) if (state!=0)
        gap_count<=5'h00; else if(Baud8Tick & ~gap_count[4])
        gap_count <= gap_count + 5'h01;
        assign RxD_idle = gap_count[4];
        reg RxD_endofpacket; always @(posedge clk)
        RxD_endofpacket <= Baud8Tick & (gap_count==5'h0F);

endmodule
```

APPENDIX I

Control Program to Test (Assembly Language)

1. Control Program for Final.txt

Final.txt

2. Control Program for last.txt

```
Last.txt - Notepad

File  Edit  Format  View  Help

MOV      01,PORTOUT          //INIT
MOV      01,RD15             //checkport
CMP      RD1,PORTIN
BEQ      16                  //pc ke process data ke ROM reg
JMP      12                  //pc ke loop balik untuk check port
MOV      00,PORTOUT
CLR      RD1                 //mula start simpan data ke ROM reg
ADD      RXDATA1,RD1
LD       RD1,ROM1
CLR      RD1
ADD      RXDATA2,RD2
LD       RD2,ROM2
CLR      RD3
ADD      RXDATA3,RD3
LD       RD3,ROM3
CLR      RD4
ADD      RXDATA4,RD4
LD       RD4,ROM4
CLR      RD5
ADD      RXDATA5,RD5
LD       RD5,ROM5
CLR      RD6
ADD      RXDATA6,RD6
LD       RD6,ROM6
CLR      RD7
ADD      RXDATA7,RD7
LD       RD7,ROM7
CLR      RD8
ADD      RXDATA8,RD8
LD       RD8,ROM8
CLR      RD9
ADD      RXDATA9,RD9
LD       RD9,ROM9
CLR      RD10
ADD      RXDATA10,RD10
LD       RD10,ROM10
CLR      RD11
ADD      RXDATA11,RD11
LD       RD11,ROM11
CLR      RD12
ADD      RXDATA12,RD12
LD       RD12,ROM12
JMP      00
```

Last.txt

APPENDIX J

Control Program Hexcode (Machine Language)
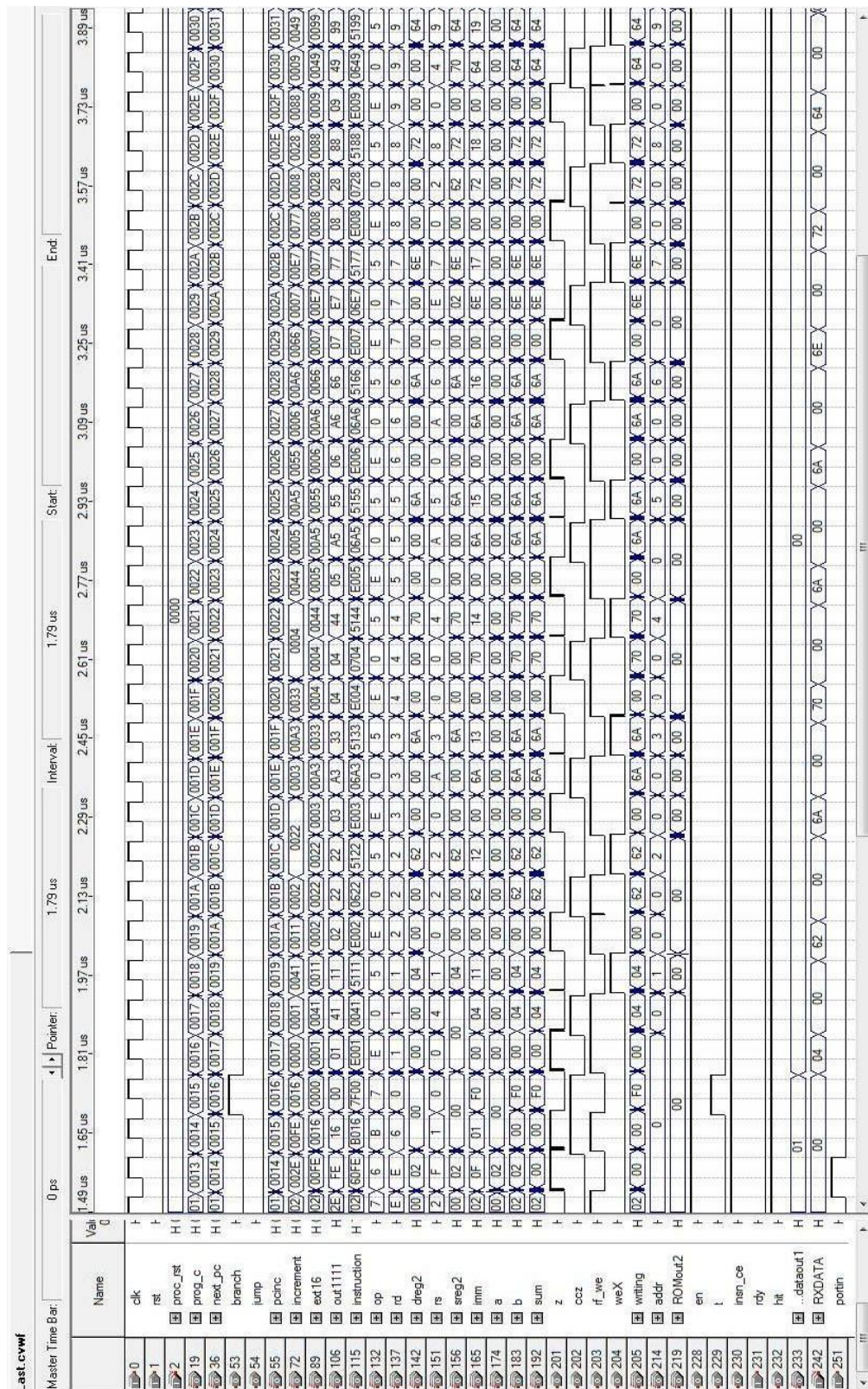

Final_hexcode.txt

Last_hexcode.txt

APPENDIX K

Timing Simulation of Control Program

1. Control Program for Final.txt

2. Control Program for Last.txt

APPENDIX L

Twelve Stages of Shift Register

APPENDIX M

Converter ASCII to 7 Segment

```verilog
module ASCII27SEG(a,z);

    input [6:0] a;
    output [6:0] z;
    reg [6:0] z;

    always@(a)
    begin
        case (a)
            7'b0110001 : z = 7'b1111001;//1
            7'b0110010 : z = 7'b0100100;//2
            7'b0110011 : z = 7'b0110000;//3
            7'b0110100 : z = 7'b0011001;//4
            7'b0110101 : z = 7'b0010010;//5
            7'b0110110 : z = 7'b0000010;//6
            7'b0110111 : z = 7'b1111000;//7
            7'b0111000 : z = 7'b0000000;//8
            7'b0111001 : z = 7'b0011000;//9
            7'b0000010 : z = 7'b0011100;//STX
            7'b0000011 : z = 7'b0101011;//ETX
            7'b0001010 : z = 7'b0000110;//LF
            7'b0001101 : z = 7'b0001000;//CR
        default : z = 7'b1111111 ;
        endcase
    end
endmodule
```
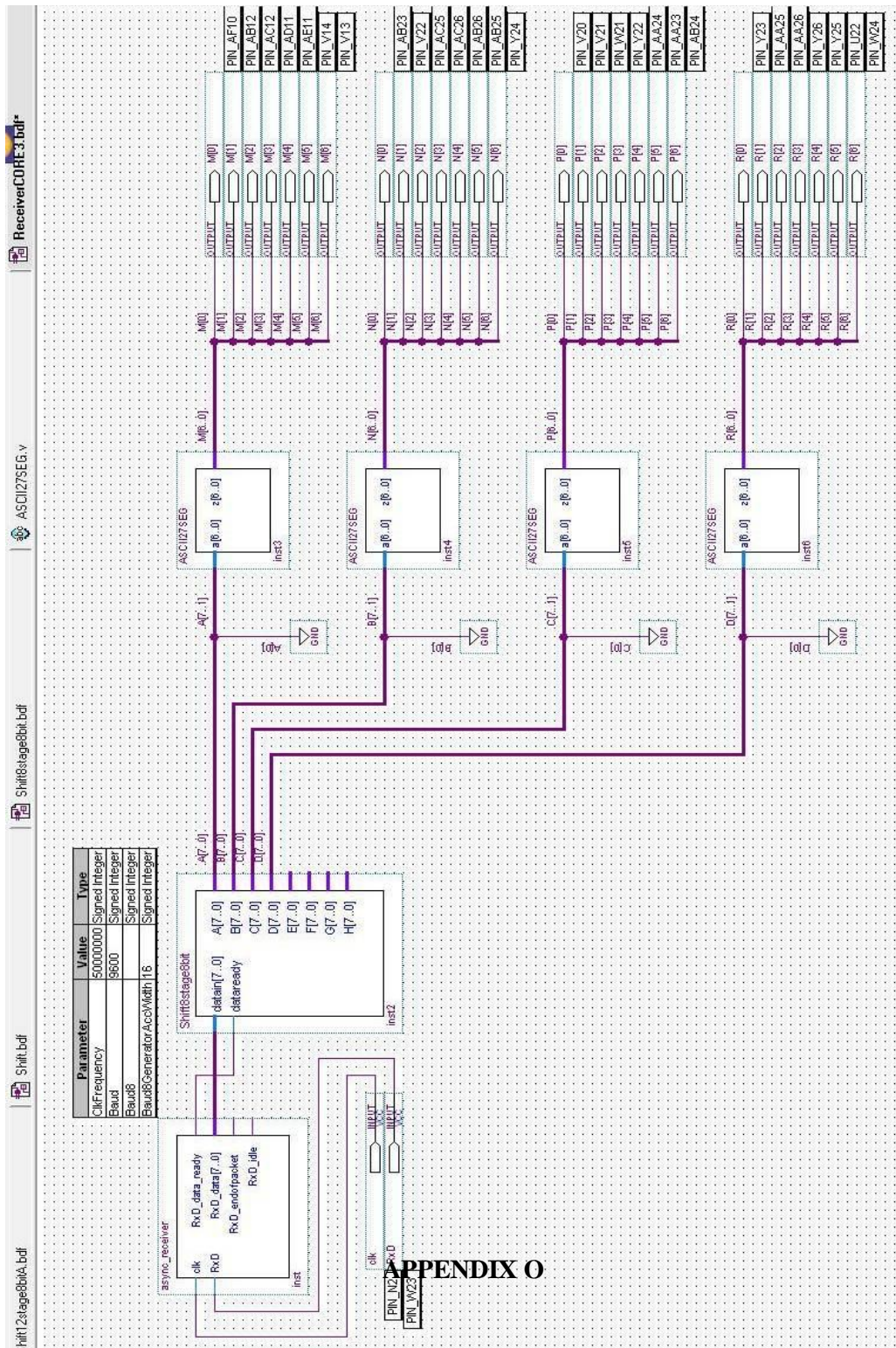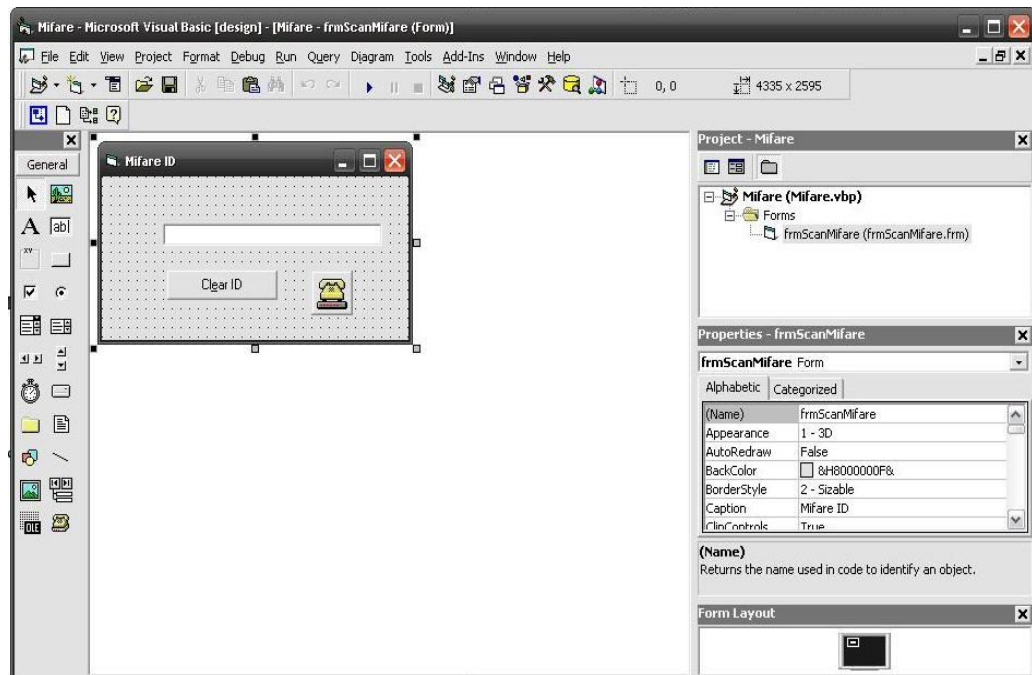
APPENDIX N

Asynchronous Receiver System to catch 12 data bytes

APPENDIX O

Visual Basic for RFID card verification

1. The Interface Design

2. The Coding

```
Private Sub cmdClearID_Click()
txtMifareID.Text = ""
End Sub

Private Sub Form_Load()
    With MSComm1
      'make sure the serial port is not open (by
this program)
       If .PortOpen Then .PortOpen = False
       'set the active serial port
       .CommPort = 12
```

```
        'set the badurate,parity,databits,stopbits for
the connection
        .Settings = "9600,N,8,1"
        'set the DRT and RTS flags
        .DTREnable = True
        .RTSEnable = True
        'enable the oncomm event for every reveived
character
        .RThreshold = 1
        'disable the oncomm event for send characters
        .SThreshold = 0
        'open the serial port
        .PortOpen = True
    End With 'MSComm1
End Sub


Private Sub MSComm1_OnComm()
    Dim strInput As String
    strInput = ""
    'txtMifareID.Text = ""
    With MSComm1
      'test for incoming event
      Select Case .CommEvent
        Case comEvReceive
          'display incoming event data to displaying
textbox
          strInput = .Input
          txtMifareID.SelText = Trim$(strInput)
      End Select
    End With 'MSComm1
End Sub
```